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PRESIDENT HEINEMAN PRESIDING

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Good morning. Welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber for the sixth day of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain for today is Senator Kruse. Please rise.

SENATOR KRUSE: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Kruse. I call the sixth day of the Ninety-Eighth Legislature, First Session, to order. Senators, please record your presence. Roll call.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Mr. Clerk, are there corrections for the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections this morning, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Mr. Clerk, messages, reports, or announcements?

CLERK: Just one announcement, Mr. President. Senator Baker has been selected as Vice Chair of the Rules Committee. That's offered by Senator Hudkins, as Chair. That's all that I have at this time. (Legislative Journal page 159.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We'll now proceed with the first item on the agenda, introduction of new bills.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 375-383 by title for the first time.) And that's all that I have at this time, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 159-161.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: (Microphone malfunction)...bills. (Read LB 384-400 by title for the first time.) In addition, Mr. President, I have hearing notices from the Banking, Commerce, and Insurance Committee, Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee,